

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the above-identified Office Action the Examiner has Requested Restriction to one of the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-10 and 12 -20 drawn to a film-forming composition, classified in class 424, subclass 70.10; and
- II. Claim 11, drawn to a stable gel composition;

stating that the inventions I & II are not required to have the same structural feature, as invention I is a film former, and invention II is a gel composition.

With this amendment, Applicant clarifies that Claim 11 is drawn to a film-forming composition, and shares the same structural feature as Claims 1-10 and 12-20.

Applicant elects invention I with traverse, and requests the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn, and Claims 1-20, all drawn to a film-forming composition, enter examination.

In the Office Action, the Examiner requires Applicant to elect a single disclosed species fro prosecution on the merits. Applicant respectfully elects the species of Claims 16 & 17.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of allowance be issued in this case. Should the Examiner has any question regarding the above, or feel that it would advance the prosecution of the application, he is asked to telephone Applicant's attorney at (973) 761-0714.

Respectfully submitted,



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